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# VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(b) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

With respect to the invention described in the specification filed herewith for

### **Tollet Overspray Shield for Males**

I. IDENTIFICATION OF DECLARANT AND CLAIM OF RIGHTS AS AN INDEPENDENT INVENTOR.

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for the purposes of paying reduced tess under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office.

11. OWNERSHIP OF INVENTION BY DECLARANT.

I hereby declare that all rights under contract or law remain with me.

III. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DUTY TO NOTIFY PTO OF STATUS CHANGE.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate in accordance with 37 cfr 1.28(b).

### IV. DECLARATION.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 or Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or patent to which this Verified Statement is directed.

#### V. SIGNATURE(S)

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## **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Toilet Overspray Shield for Males,

the specification of which:	( x ) is attached hereto.		
	( ) was filed on	as	
	App. Serial No.	and	
	Amended on	•	

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 (s), which states:

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I do not know and do not believe the invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application and that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application.

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